## California Public Utilities Commission's Fourth Annual Diversity Public Hearing

"Keeping California First in Diversity: Raising the Bar"

Tuesday, October 3, 2006 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Hiram Johnson State Building Milton Marks Auditorium 455 Golden Gate Ave., San Francisco

## **Agenda**

9 a.m. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Michael R. Peevey, CPUC President

Senator Martha M. Escutia, Chair, Senate Energy Utilities and Communication

Committee and Chair, California Latino Legislative Caucus

Gwen Moore, President and CEO of GeM Communications Group and

Former Member of the California State Assembly (1978-1994)

John Bohn, CPUC Commissioner

**Geoffrey F. Brown**, CPUC Commissioner **Rachelle Chong**, CPUC Commissioner

Dian M. Grueneich, CPUC Commissioner

9:25 a.m. CPUC Staff Update and New Endeavors

Steve Larson, CPUC Executive Director

Linda Serizawa, CPUC Director, Consumer Service and Information Division

Utility Supplier Diversity Program Language Access Services

Focus: Financial, Legal, Architectural, and Engineering Services

9:40 a.m. California Utilities Diversity Council (CUDC) Report

Introduction

José L. Pérez, Publisher, Latino Journal, CUDC Chair

**Procurement** 

Joan Kerr, Executive Director, Supplier Diversity, AT&T, CUDC Member

Philanthropy

**Vicki Zeiger,** Vice President, Human Resources, Sempra Energy Utilities (San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Gas Company)

Customer Service and Marketing

Nancy Zarenda, Director, Spanish Language Academy (Rio International Language Services), CUDC Vice-Chair

Governance

Frank Quevedo, Vice President, Southern California Edison, CUDC Member

**Employment** 

**Steve Leder**, Director, Professional Staffing and Diversity, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, CUDC Member

10:25 a.m. Keeping California First in Diversity: Raising the Bar

**Alan J. Fohrer**, Chief Executive Officer, Southern California Edison **Tom King**. Chief Executive Officer. Pacific Gas and Electric Company

Timothy McCallion, President – West Region, Verizon

**Melba Muscarolas**, Vice President and General Manager – San Francisco Market Area. AT&T

**Debra L. Reed**, President and Chief Executive Officer, Sempra Energy Utilities (San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Gas Company)

11:15 a.m. Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Michael R. Peevey, CPUC President

11:20 a.m. Keynote Speaker

Honorable Willie L. Brown, Jr., The Willie L. Brown, Jr. Institute on Politics

and Public Service

11:50 a.m. Lunch

Provided by the *Latino Journal*, a magazine dedicated to public policy and government from a Latino perspective, and *Macias Gini and O'Connell*, *LLP*, a statewide certified public accounting and consulting firm that delivers world-class assurance, tax, business improvement, and advisory services to a broad

range of industries

12:35 p.m. Legal Services – Panel Discussion: Strategies to increase business with diverse law firms, overcome impediments, and achieve long-term goals

Facilitator: Peter Arth, Jr., Chief of Staff to CPUC President Peevey

**Elaine M. Duncan**, Vice President, General Counsel – West Region, Verizon

Geoff Gibbs, Partner, Gibbs & Oliphant, LLP

Sanford Hartman, Vice President and Managing Director, Law, Pacific Gas and

Electric Company

**Stephen E. Pickett**, Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Southern

California Edison

Sandy Sakamoto, General Attorney and Assistant General Counsel, AT&T
W. Davis Smith, Vice President and Associate General Counsel, Sempra Energy and Senior Vice President and General Counsel, Sempra Energy Utilities (San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Gas Company)

Lisa Wilson, Partner, Selman & Breitman, LLP

1:35 p.m. Financial Services – Panel Discussion: Strategies to increase business with diverse financial institutions, overcome impediments, and achieve long-term goals

**Facilitator: Peter Arth, Jr.**, Chief of Staff to CPUC President Peevey **Derek T. Hayamizu**, Portfolio Manager for External Equity Investments, California Public Employees' Retirement System

**Chris Johns**, Senior Vice President, Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer, Pacific Gas and Electric Company

**Joan T. Jones**, Vice President – Finance and Treasurer, Sempra Energy Utilities (San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Gas Company)

Lori Lee, Vice President – Finance, Treasurer and Chief Financial Officer, AT&T
Terri L. Maria, Director, Financial Planning and Analysis – West Region, Verizon
Henry Mendoza, Chairperson, California Hispanic Chambers of Commerce
Managing Partner, Mendoza Berger Company, L.L.P.

**Thomas M. Noonan**, Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, Southern California Edison

2:50 p.m. Statewide Small Business Expos

John Bohn, CPUC Commissioner

3 p.m. The Greenlining Institute Report

Paul H. Turner, Senior Program Manager, Claiming Our Democracy

The Greenlining Institute

3:10 p.m. Public Comment

3:30 p.m. Closing Remarks

Michael R. Peevey, CPUC President